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BIANE'S FIRE RELIEF EFFORTS LED BY CENTEX HOMES' DONATION

Leading Inland Empire homebuilder donates \$100,000 to the Community First: Fire Relief Fund to help victims of the Grand Prix fire.

RANCHO CUCAMONGA, Calif. — San Bernardino County Supervisor Paul Biane's efforts to raise funds for families affected by the devastating wildfires in his second Supervisorial District received a huge boost this week thanks to a generous donation from Centex Homes.

Centex Homes, one of the Inland Empire's largest homebuilders, contributed \$100,000 to the Community First: Fire Relief Fund, a fund that has been formed in association with the American Red Cross, The Sun, Stater Bros., Arrowhead Credit Union, Inland Empire 66ers Baseball and the Inland Center Mall. All donations received go to local American Red Cross Chapters to aid families affected by the wildfires.

"I would like to thank Centex Homes for this generous contribution," said Biane. "Our building community has always stepped up to the plate in time of need. I hope others will take Centex's lead and contribute to the relief efforts."

Since the Grand Prix wildfires began nearly two weeks ago, more than 135 homes, 60 buildings, one commercial structure and 59,448 acres have been destroyed.

Supervisor Biane and his staff have been hard at work helping the Grand Prix fire victims and their families, collecting boxes of canned foods, blankets and other daily survival materials, helping get utilities turned back on and assisting with setting up a 'one-stop-shop' that provides victims with an array of services including financial assistance and counseling in one central location, the San Bernardino International Airport.

The Second District includes the communities of Cedar Pines Park, Crestline, Devore, Fontana, Lake Gregory, Lytle Creek, Mt. Baldy, Rancho Cucamonga, San Antonio Heights, Upland and Valley of Enchantment.

Since its founding in 1950, Centex Homes has committed millions of dollars to leading community organizations including Habitat for Humanity International, National Housing Endowment (NHE), and has provided need-based scholarships to college students pursuing careers in the home building industry.